

the report. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representatives Foxx and Cummings.

## OVERSIGHT OF PASSENGER AND FREIGHT RAIL SAFETY

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:* Subcommittee on Railroads, Pipelines, and Hazardous Materials held a hearing entitled “Oversight of Passenger and Freight Rail Safety”. Testimony was heard from Joseph Szabo, Administrator, Federal Railroad Administration; Cynthia L. Quarterman, Administrator, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration; Robert L. Sumwalt, National Transportation Safety Board; and public witnesses.

## VA ACCOUNTABILITY: ASSESSING ACTIONS TAKEN IN RESPONSE TO SUBCOMMITTEE OVERSIGHT

*Committee on Veterans’ Affairs:* Subcommittee on Health held a hearing entitled “VA Accountability: Assessing Actions Taken in Response to Subcommittee Oversight”. Testimony was heard from Robert Petzel, M.D., Under Secretary for Health, Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

## PREVENTING DISABILITY SCAMS

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Subcommittee on Social Security held a hearing entitled “Preventing Disability Scams”. Testimony was heard from Carolyn Colvin, Acting Commissioner, Social Security Administration; William B. Zielinski, Deputy Commissioner of Systems and Chief Information Officer, Social Security Administration; and public witnesses.

## Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

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## NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D158)

S.J. Res. 28, providing for the appointment of John Fahey as a citizen regent of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution. Signed on February 21, 2014. (Public Law 113–84)

S.J. Res. 29, providing for the appointment of Risa Lavizzo-Mourey as a citizen regent of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution. Signed on February 21, 2014. (Public Law 113–85)

## COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2014

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

### Senate

*Committee on Armed Services:* to hold hearings to examine United States Strategic Command and United States Cyber Command in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2015 and the Future Years Defense Program, 9:30 a.m., SD–G50.

Full Committee, to resume closed hearings to examine responses to questions from the open session on current and future worldwide threats to the national security of the United States, 2:30 p.m., SVC–217.

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* to hold hearings to examine the semiannual Monetary Policy Report to Congress, 10 a.m., SD–538.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Subcommittee on Oceans, Atmosphere, Fisheries, and Coast Guard, to hold hearings to examine North Pacific perspectives on Magnuson-Stevens Act reauthorization, 10:30 a.m., SR–253.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* Subcommittee on Water and Power, to hold hearings to examine S. 1419, to promote research, development, and demonstration of marine and hydrokinetic renewable energy technologies, S. 1771, to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to adjust the Crooked River boundary, to provide water certainty for the City of Prineville, Oregon, S. 1800, to require the Secretary of the Interior to submit to Congress a report on the efforts of the Bureau of Reclamation to manage its infrastructure assets, S. 1946, to amend the Reclamation Safety of Dams Act of 1978 to modify the authorization of appropriations, S. 1965, to amend the East Bench Irrigation District Water Contract Extension Act to permit the Secretary of the Interior to extend the contract for certain water services, S. 2010 and H.R. 1963, bills to amend the Water Conservation and Utilization Act to authorize the development of non-Federal hydropower and issuance of leases of power privileges at projects constructed pursuant to the authority of the Water Conservation and Utilization Act, S. 2019, to reauthorize and update certain provisions of the Secure Water Act, and S. 2034, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to establish a program to facilitate the transfer to non-Federal ownership of appropriate reclamation projects or facilities, 2:30 p.m., SD–366.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* to hold hearings to examine international parental child abduction, 11:15 a.m., SD–419.

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* business meeting to consider the nominations of Vivek Hallegere Murthy, of Massachusetts, to be Medical Director in the Regular Corps of the Public Health Service, and to be Surgeon General of the Public Health Service, Portia Y. Wu, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Labor, Christopher P. Lu, of Virginia, to be Deputy Secretary of Labor, Heather L. MacDougall, of Florida, to be a Member of the Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission, Massie Ritsch, of the

District of Columbia, to be Assistant Secretary of Education for Communications and Outreach, and any pending nominations, Time to be announced, Room to be announced.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine promoting college access and success for students with disabilities, 10 a.m., SH-216.

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs*: to hold hearings to examine recycling electronics, focusing on a common sense solution for enhancing government efficiency and protecting our environment, 1:30 p.m., SD-342.

*Committee on the Judiciary*: business meeting to consider S. 1675, to reduce recidivism and increase public safety, S. 149, to provide effective criminal prosecutions for certain identity thefts, and the nominations of Steven Paul Logan, John Joseph Tuchi, Diane J. Humetewa, Rosemary Marquez, Douglas L. Rayes, and James Alan Soto, all to be a United States District Judge for the District of Arizona, Robin S. Rosenbaum, of Florida, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Eleventh Circuit, Bruce Howe Hendricks, to be United States District Judge for the District of South Carolina, Mark G. Mastroianni, to be United States District Judge for the District of Massachusetts, and Leslie Ragon Caldwell, of New York, to be an Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice, 10 a.m., SD-226.

*Select Committee on Intelligence*: to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

## House

*Committee on Appropriations*, Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies, hearing on the Federal Investments in Neuroscience Research Oversight, 10 a.m., H-309 Capitol.

Subcommittee on Labor, Health, and Human Services, and Education, hearing on Public Health Emergency Medical Countermeasure Enterprise Oversight, 10 a.m., 2358-C Rayburn.

*Committee on Armed Services*, Full Committee, hearing entitled "The Posture of the U.S. Special Operations Command and U.S. Transportation Command", 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Seapower and Projection Forces, hearing entitled "Seapower and Projection Forces Capabilities to Support the Asia Pacific Rebalance", 2 p.m., 2212 Rayburn.

*Committee on Education and the Workforce*, Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Elementary, and Secondary Education; and Subcommittee on Higher Education and Workforce Training, joint hearing entitled "Exploring Efforts to Strengthen the Teaching Profession", 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

*Committee on Energy and Commerce*, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled "Counterfeit Drugs: Fighting Illegal Supply Chains", 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Energy and Power, hearing entitled "Benefits of and Challenges to Energy Access in the 21st Century: Electricity", 10:15 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Health, markup on the following legislation: H.R. 3548, the "Improving Trauma Care Act of 2013"; H.R. 1281, the "Newborn Screening Saves Lives Reauthorization Act of 2013"; H.R. 1528, the "Veterinary Medicine Mobility Act of 2013"; and H.R. 4080, the "Trauma Systems and Regionalization of Emergency Care Reauthorization Act", 4:30 p.m., 2123 Rayburn.

*Committee on Foreign Affairs*, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 2548, the "Electrify African Act", 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

*Committee on Homeland Security*, Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, Infrastructure Protection, and Security Technologies, hearing on H.R. 4007, the "Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standards Authorization and Accountability Act of 2014", 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

*Committee on the Judiciary*, Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, Homeland Security, and Investigations, hearing entitled "Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives' Use of Storefront Operations", 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

*Committee on Natural Resources*, Full Committee, markup on the following legislation: H.R. 1103, to amend the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act to provide that Alexander Creek, Alaska, is and shall be recognized as an eligible Native village under that Act, and for other purposes; H.R. 1259, the "Coltsville National Historical Park Act"; H.R. 2015, the "Las Vegas Valley Public Land and Tule Springs Fossil Beds National Monument Act of 2013"; H.R. 3110, the "Huna Tlingit Traditional Gull Egg Use Act"; and H.R. 3605, the "Sandia Pueblo Settlement Technical Amendment Act", 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife, Oceans and Insular Affairs, hearing on the following legislation: H.R. 3105, the "Aquaculture Risk Reduction Act"; H.R. 3280, the "Lacey Act Clarifying Amendments Act"; H.R. 3324, the "Lacey Act Paperwork Reduction Act"; and H.R. 4032, the "North Texas Invasive Species Barrier Act", 1:30 p.m., 1334 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources, hearing entitled "Obama Administration Oversight: GAO Report—Interior Hiring and Retention Challenges", 2 p.m., 1324 Longworth.

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform*, Subcommittee on Economic Growth, Job Creation and Regulatory Affairs, hearing entitled "The Administration's Proposed Restrictions on Political Speech: Doubling Down on IRS Targeting", 9:30 a.m., 2247 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on National Security, hearing entitled "Afghanistan: Honoring the Heroes of Extortion 17", 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Energy Policy, Health Care, and Entitlements, hearing entitled "Examining the Endangered Species Act", 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

*Committee on Science, Space, and Technology*, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Mars Flyby 2021: The First Deep Space Mission for the Orion and Space Launch System?", 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure*, Subcommittee on Highways and Transit, hearing entitled

“Improving the Nation’s Highway Freight Network”, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

*Committee on Veterans’ Affairs*, Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity, hearing entitled “Review of the Ef-

fectiveness of VA’s Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment Program”, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

*House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence*, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Ongoing Intelligence Activities”, 10 a.m., 304–HVC.